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TO: HEMOPHILIA TREATMENT CENTER (HTC) MEDICAL DIRECTORS AND

STAFF

SUBJECT: GHPP AND CCS BECOME TITLE XIX FEDERAL MEDICAID WAIVER

PROGRAMS

The purpose of this letter is to inform HTCs of the "federalization" of the GHPP and CCS programs under Title XIX Medicaid waiver program.

Effective September 1, 2005, with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services approval and Senate Bill 1100 legislation (Chapter 226, October, 2005), CCS and GHPP became Title XIX Medicaid waiver programs. Both programs will now be regarded as "Medicaid" programs.

Under Section 340B of the Public Health Service Act (1992), public hospitals, community, migrant and homeless health centers, HIV/AIDS clinics, and other safety net providers, including HTCs where allowed to purchase outpatient pharmaceuticals, including blood and hemophilia factor at discounted rates. According to 340B guidelines, these entities must bill Medicaid programs at acquisition cost (plus a dispensing fee) for outpatient drugs purchased at 340B discounted prices.

Beginning September 1, 2005, all HTCs must bill acquisition cost (plus dispensing fee) for outpatient drugs, including blood and hemophilia factor, purchased at 340B prices and not bill usual and customary.

If you have any questions please contact Edan Lum, Pharm D., CMS Pharmaceutical Consultant at (916) 324-8906.

Sincerely,

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